

Clarification and correction for December 18, 2008 Arizona Workforce Employment Report.

The December 18, 2008 Employment Report has been revised to clarify the statement about the steepest decline in employment since 1949.

The original statement about the steepest over-the-year percentage decline (-3.2%) in Arizona nonfarm employment since 1949, referred to any November.

The most recent year for a steeper over-the-year decline for any month was 1975, with a low point in June of -4.6%.

The steepest decline of any over-the-year change occurred in December 1945 (-8.2%).

Data on Arizona nonfarm employment is available from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (www.bls.gov) back to 1939.

We apologize for any confusion caused by the wording in the publication.